1 2 3 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 AT TACOMA 10 WILLIAM LAUER, individually and as the Personal Representative of the Estate of 11 SHIRLEY LAUER, Case No. C06-5124FDB 12 Plaintiff, **ORDER** 13 v. 14 EXTENDICARE HOMES, INC., a Delaware corporation; EXTENDICARE HEALTH 15 NETWORK, INC., a Delaware corporation; and DR. BRIAN KEAY, an individual, 16 Defendants. 17 Defendants Extendicare Homes, Inc. And Extendicare Health Network, Inc. removed this 18 cause of action from Thurston Count Superior Court on diversity grounds, stating that it became 19 removable on March 2, 2006 upon the dismissal of Dr. Brian Keay, a Washington resident. 20 Defendants assert there is diversity, as Plaintiff is a Washington resident and the Extendicare 21 Defendants are foreign corporations and are not citizens of this state, and further states that it has a 22 good faith belief that the matter in controversy exceeds the sum of \$75,000. 23 Under 28 U.S.C. § 1332, a corporation is a citizen both of the state by which it has been 24 incorporated and of the State where it has its principal place of business. Defendants merely assert 25

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1	that they are not citizens of Washington, but do not affirmatively state where the Extendicare
2	Defendants' principal place of business is.
3	NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED: the Defendants Extendicare Homes, Inc. And
4	Extendicare Health Network, Inc. shall file a document by no later than March 20, 2006
5	demonstrating their principal place of business.
6	DATED this 13 th day of March, 2006.
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8	FRANKLIN D. BURGESS
9	UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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